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FRG-PROPOSED PILOT STUDY IN BONN, SEPTEMBER 11-12

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1. WITH RESPECT TO FRG INVITATION (REFTEL), DEPARTMENT AND OTHER INTERESTED WASHINGTON AGENCIES WILL RECALL PARTICULAR US ENCOURAGEMENT GIVEN TO FRG IN COURSE OF ITS DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PILOT STUDY PROPOSAL, DATING BACK TO CONTACTS ON SUBJECT BETWEEN FRG STATE SECRETARY (MIN. INT) HARTKOPF AND CHAIRMAN TRAIN AT FALL 1972 CCMS PLENARY AND SUBSEQUENTLY. MOREOVER, IN EARLY 1973, WHEN FRG HAD COMPLETED ITS INTERNAL DELIBERATIONS ON POSSIBLE CCMS PILOT STUDY IN THIS PROBLEM AREA--AND, WE UNDERSTAND, HAD VETTED ITS PRELIMINARY CCMS PLANS THROUGH EC CHANNELS AS WELL--THE US SENT AN EXPERT TO BONN IN RESPONSE TO A FRG REQUEST TO CONSULT FURTHER ON DIRECTION A CCMS PILOT STUDY IN THIS PROBLEM AREA MIGHT MOST CONSTRUCTIVELY TAKE. US INTEREST SIGNALLED AGAIN AT CCMS 1973 SPRING PLENARY IN OTTAWA IN RESPONSE TO FRG OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THERE THAT IT WAS PLANNING SUCH A PILOT STUDY AND IT EXPECTED TO CALL EXPERTS MEETING IN EARLY FALL WITH EYE TO PREPARING FINAL PROPOSAL FOR APPROVAL BY CCMS AT FALL 1973 PLENARY.
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2. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING, MISSION HOPEFUL THAT US WILL BE WELL REPRESENTED AT SEPTEMBER MEETING AND THAT OUR REPRESENTATIVES THERE WILL BE PREPARED TO GIVE STRONG SUPPORT TO FRG EXPERTS IN FINAL FORMULATION OF PROPOSAL FOR FRG-LED PILOT STUDY, IN WHICH

US AND OTHER INTERESTED ALLIED NATIONS WILL BE PREPARED TO PLAY
SIGNIFICANT ROLE AND FROM WHICH ALL CAN BENEFIT. KEEN EUROPEAN
INTEREST IN COOPERATION ON THIS PROBLEM IS LIKELY, AND IT WOULD
APPEAR TO BE AN ESPECIALLY PROMISING AREA OF ACTIVITY FOR CCMS.

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